

Attachment 1

ROSEMONT COPPER MINE – PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Hudbay Minerals, Inc. (Hudbay), a Canadian integrated mining company, seeks U.S. Forest Service (USFS) approval of a mine plan of operations (MPO) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) issuance of a Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 permit for the proposed Rosemont Copper Mine Project (Project) southeast of Tucson in Pima County, Arizona. The Project would involve constructing, operating, reclaiming, and closing an open-pit mine on National Forest System (NFS) and adjacent private and State lands in the Cienega Creek Watershed. The proposed Rosemont Mine would extract copper, molybdenum, and silver over an anticipated life of 24-30 years.

The watershed, which is composed of an intricate network of streams, contributes ground and surface waters to State-designated Outstanding Waters downstream of the project area, including Davidson Canyon Wash and Cienega Creek. The Cienega Creek watershed also includes the Las Cienegas National Conservation Area (NCA) managed by the Bureau of Land Management. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designated Davidson Canyon and Cienega Creek “aquatic resources of national importance” (ARNI) in 2009.

This Information Paper describes the Project, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review and pending Federal decisions, and the positions of interested agencies and other parties. Separate Information Papers address the Corps evaluation, EPA concerns, and relevant timelines.

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